

**BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION  
REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION**

**NO.:** FAAP 08-18

**BOARD DATE:** February 29, 2008

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**STATE COLLEGES**

**NON-RESIDENT GRADUATE TUITION for FISCAL YEAR 2009**

**MOVED:** The Board of Higher Education hereby adopts the following non-resident graduate tuition rates for state-supported programs at the state colleges for Fiscal Year 2009.

	<b>Change</b>	<b>Annual Non-Resident Graduate Tuition</b>
Bridgewater State College	\$0	\$7,050
Fitchburg State College	\$0	\$7,050
Framingham State College	\$0	\$7,050
Massachusetts College of Art and Design	n/a	n/a
Massachusetts Maritime Academy	n/a	n/a
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts	\$0	\$9,975
Salem State College	\$0	\$7,050
Westfield State College	\$0	\$7,050
Worcester State College	\$0	\$7,050

**Authority:** Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 15A, Section 9(i)

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## **Background**

Massachusetts College of Art and Design and Massachusetts Maritime Academy tuition and fee-setting guidelines are outlined in the "Five-Year New Partnership Plan." Under the Partnership Plan, tuition rates are set by the board of trustees of the institution, and revenue is retained by the campus.

Pursuant to Section 7 of Chapter 15A of the General Laws, any material change to the five-year plan, as approved by the Board of Higher Education in FY2004, including any change to the projection for total student charges, shall require approval of that change by the Board of Higher Education.

Proposed student charges for FY2009 at both institutions were reviewed by Board staff and are within the projections outlined in the five-year plan; action by the Board is not required.